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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Del Rio PI Team**

Arrived Del Rio. 6 April 1961  
PI's: 

Eastman Kodak contributed 6 men to assist the Air Force personnel in lab and film handling.

1. Set up shop in SAC (USAF) photo lab used primarily for processing U-2 70mm. Thin base equipment comprised of (2) EK Modified Processors which when normally operated, develop film thru primary and secondary in-line processors.

2. Operating procedures outlined with Cap  USAF Lab Officer, Mr.  Detachment Co., and Mr.  at which time it was necessary to emphasize the expediency required for this particular "Tactical" mission regardless of any slight loss in quality to the original negative.

Mission 3032 - 8 April 1961

4000' and 2650 frames

Total time touch down to processing completed 12.47 hours

Total PI Time - 12.35 hours

Mission 3033 - 11 April 1961

3400' and 2170 frames

Total time - T.D. to processing completed 11.10 hours

Total PI Time - 6.10 hours

PI Component Augmented with (4) Additional PI's:



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Mission 3034 - 13 April 1961

2600' and 1696 frames

Total time - T.D. to processing completed 8.41 hours

Total PI Time - 4.35 hours

Mission 3035 and 3036 - 15 April 1961

1600' and 983 frames and 2800' and 1856 frames

M 3035 - Total time - T.D. to processing completed 5.49 hours

Total PI Time - 4.35 hours

M 3036 - Total Time - T.D. to processing completed 8.33 hours

Total PI Time - 5.30 hours

Mission 3037 - 16 April 1961

2800' and 1763 frames

Total time - T.D. to processing completed 6.49 hours

Total PI Time - 4.40 hours

Mission 3038 and 3039 - 17 April 1961

1000' and 751 frames and 3200' and 2029 frames

M 3038 - Total time - T.D. to processing completed 4.39 hours

Total PI Time - 2.55 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report Dispatch - 5.56 hours

M 3039 - Total Time - T.D. to processing completed 9.43 hours

Total PI Time - 5.55 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report Dispatch - 10.20 hours

Mission 3040 and 3041 - 18 April 1961

1000' and 655 frames and 2950' and 1940 frames

M 3040 - Total time - T.D. to processing completed 4.19 hours

Total PI Time - 2.45 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report Dispatch - 5.47 hours

M 3041 - Total time - T.D. to processing completed 7.51 hours

Total PI Time - 6.31 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report Dispatch - 7.58 hours

Mission 3042 - 19 April 1961

1800' and 1135 frames

Total time - T.D. to processing completed 6.15 hours

Total PI Time - 4.0 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report Dispatch - 6.52 hours

Mission 3043 - 20 April 1961

2000' and 1256 frames

Total time T.D. to processing completed 6.10 hours

Total PI Time - 4.15 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report Dispatch - 6.52 hours

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Mission 3045 - 23 April 1961

5000' and 3147 frames

Total time - T.D. to processing completed 12.0 hours

Total PI Time - 10.15 hours

Total time T.D. to ZIP Report to Dispatch - 13.33 hours

Mission 3047 - 29 April 1961

5500' and 3650 frames

Total time - T.D. to processing completed 12.55 hours

Total PI Time - 11.10 hours

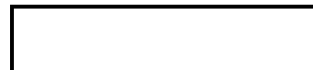
Total time T.D. to ZIP Report to Dispatch - 14.08 hours

Total film processed L & R for 14 missions approximately 79,300'.

From the Field point of view, the processing and film readouts were highly satisfactory and it is my recommendation that if in the future,  Operations are necessary, the possibility of EK personnel assistance be considered.

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